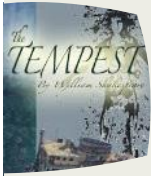




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# Community *notes*

## Veterans' Day Observances

Howard County Government offices, courts, 50+ centers and animal shelter will be closed on Friday, November 10 in observance of the Veterans Day holiday. Regular trash, recycling, yard trim and food scrap services will occur as scheduled and the Alpha Ridge Landfill will be open. While county parks, historic sites, community centers and the Robinson Nature Center will be open, the Meadowbrook Athletic Complex, Kiwanis-Wallas Hall and Cedar Lane and Schooley Mill Park Activity Rooms will be open only for scheduled programs only. The Regional Transportation Agency (RTA) will operate on a regular weekday schedule; for more information call 1-800-270-9553 or visit [www.transitrt.com](http://www.transitrt.com). All parking regulations and fees will be in effect on Veterans Day.

The 9-1-1 Center, Police and Fire departments remain staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week. For emergencies, call 9-1-1. For non-emergencies, please call 410-313-2200.

County offices will re-open at regular business hours on Monday, November 13. Click [here](#) for the full public notice.

## Fight Against Hunger

Join the Youth Council of the Howard County Chapter of the NAACP in serving the community by donating new or gently used clothing, toiletries for men, women and children and non-perishable food items for the Annual Fight Against Hunger Dinner on Sunday, November 19, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. at Ridgley's Run Community Center (8400 Mission Road, Jessup).

Please contact Bessie Bordenave at 443-280-1935 to donate items. Thank you in advance for your commitment to our neighbors.

## Greetings

With the year-end holidays approaching, the opportunities to share abound. Join me in participating in the NAACP's Fight Against Hunger or the CAC's Thanksgiving Campaign. Let's help our neighbors who are experiencing tough times. You can, and do, make a difference.

*ManyKay*

## Clocks Fall Back

Sunday, November 5 at 2:00 a.m., we 'fall back' one hour to Standard Time. While most of our digital devices take care of the time change for us, don't forget the manual clocks that you use. Also, this is an opportunity to change the batteries in our smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and the filters in our HVAC systems.



## Masques, Art & Merriment

ManneqArt is hosting its Annual Masquerade Party and Awards Gala on Sunday, November 5 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Enjoy delectable refreshments, view the runway of models wearing this year's entries of Wearable Art on the Human Form and dance with the models and other guests to great music. Tickets can be purchased [online](#). It promises to be fascinating and fun.



## ArtFully Wilde Fine Craft Show

ArtFully Wilde blends a traditional craft show with a juried fine art gallery experience, providing a perfect holiday shopping experience for visitors. Up to 30 artists and craft vendors offer a wide variety of high quality, handmade work. The event takes place on Friday, November 10, 5:00 - 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, November 11, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at Slayton House (10400 Cross Fox Lane, Columbia).

## The Walters Art Museum Presents...

Peter Carl Fabergé and the renowned artists of his workshop created fantastic works in miniature for the Russian aristocracy in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Now 70 of these works will be on display from November 12 through June 24. Visit the Walters [webpage](#) to view the special events associated with the exhibits.



## Candlelight Concert Society Lecture: "Brahms At The Library"

Come to the Howard County Library Miller Branch on November 7, at 7:00 p.m. as Ernest Liotti of the Peabody Institute at Johns Hopkins University explores the fascinating history of one of the world's greatest pieces of chamber music - *Piano Quintet* by Johannes Brahms, written in 1864. Please register online at the [Howard County Library website](#).

## 3D Design

If you are interested in designing, animating or printing 3D objects, start here! Learn how to use Blender, an open-source, 3D design program. Create virtual spaces that, when rendered properly, give the illusion of photographic representation. Applications as diverse as architectural design prototypes, video games, animation, and even prosthetic limbs and organs rely on the tools of computer-aided design (CAD) programs. Ages 11-18. Monday, November 6, 2017, 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. at Central Branch Library. Registration is required. Register [online](#) or by calling 410-313-7800.

## Harvest Moon Hayride & Bonfire

Kids, teens and adults can enjoy a brisk autumn hayride along the Patuxent River. Drinks, snacks and entertainment will be held around a roaring bonfire. Cost is \$5 per person on-site, kids under 2 years old ride free. The hayride will originate from



the parking lot located at the corner of Route 1 and Main Street. The event takes place on Friday, November 3, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. at Riverfront Park. Last ride to the bonfire is approximately 7:45 p.m. and the last ride to the parking is 8:45

p.m. Contact City of Laurel Parks and Recreation at 301-725-7800 for more information.

## MDOT Annual Meeting

Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) will hold its annual Howard County Consolidated Transportation Plan (CTP) meeting on Thursday, November 9 at 7 p.m. at the George Howard Building, Banneker Room, 3430 Court House Drive in Ellicott City.

MDOT will present a final budget to the Maryland General Assembly in January. The current six-year draft is scheduled to invest \$14.7 billion in the state's transportation network. The full CTP can be found [online](#).

## Atholton High School presents *The Tempest*

Here is your opportunity to enjoy *The Tempest*, the classic comedy-drama by William Shakespeare. A storm rages, and a king and his party are tossed into the sea. On the shore, a sorcerer and her daughter await. Magic, monsters, love, and forgiveness abound in this play. We promise stage magic and low comedy! "We are such stuff as dreams are made on..." Click [here](#) to purchase tickets. Shows are November 4, 10, and 11 at 7:00 p.m. and November 5, at 3:00 p.m. For more information, visit their [website](#).

## Howard County's Volunteer Awards

Howard County is accepting nomination forms for the 2018 "Volunteer of the Year" awards program. Sponsored by Howard County Government, the County Council and the Volunteer Center Serving Howard County, this program recognizes individuals (youth and adults), **non-profit organizations or governmental agencies, and for-profit organizations or community groups** that have demonstrated commitment and dedication to our community. **Nomination and endorsement forms must be postmarked by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 23, 2018.**



To qualify, nominees must be residents of Howard County or do their volunteer work in Howard County. In addition, their volunteer efforts should have an impact on an individual or the community; for individual nominations, the nominated service must be performed outside the scope of the nominee's paid employment. Nomination forms are available on the County's [website](#). Completed nomination forms may be:

- filled out online and submitted via email to [voy@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:voy@howardcountymd.gov);
- mailed to: Howard County Volunteer of the Year, Attn: Alexandra Bresani, Office of Public Information, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, MD 21043; or
- faxed to 410-313-3390

Additionally, nominators may also **submit no more than two additional endorsements** from other individuals or organizations familiar with the nominee's volunteer contributions. Endorsement forms are also available online. These too may be submitted via email, mailed or faxed to the contact information above.

Award winners will have an engraved brick installed in the "Pathway to Excellence" at the County's Troy Park at Elkridge. The pathway will feature bricks etched with the winners' names and award, and will be part of one of Troy Park's future development phases.

All nominees and awardees will be recognized at a ceremony and dessert reception on Thursday, April 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the Banneker Room of the George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive in Ellicott City. The event is free and open to the public.

## Reminders and More

### Donate Online for Thanksgiving Meals

The Community Action Council of Howard County, Inc. (CAC) will be serving 1,000 local families this Thanksgiving by providing a turkey dinner with all the trimmings. CAC asks the community to help by donating \$20 which would cover the cost of one dinner. Click [here](#) to submit your donation today. They are half way to the goal. The campaign ends on November 16, 2017.

### Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Essay Contest

The Howard County Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Commission invites Howard County middle and high school students to participate in the Commission's annual student essay contest. The essay question is "How do you translate Dr. King's vision in today's times?" Submissions should include the student's name, address, telephone number, email address, name of school, and grade. Essays must be between 500-750 words from middle schoolers, and 750-1,000 words for high schoolers.

Email your submissions by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 17, to [SubmissionsMLK@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:SubmissionsMLK@howardcountymd.gov). Cash prizes will be awarded for the top three essays in each category. For more information, call 410-313-6467 or email [fsheik@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:fsheik@howardcountymd.gov).

### US 29 Pedestrian Bridge Closure

The work to improve the pedestrian bridge that crosses US 29 in Columbia continues until early December. The County will continue to distribute and honor complimentary bus passes for those travelling between the Oakland Mills Village Center and The Mall in Columbia. Those passes may be obtained by contacting the County's Office of Transportation at 410-313-4312 or by email to [transportation@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:transportation@howardcountymd.gov).

For questions or concerns about Capital Project B-3863, contact Lisa Brightwell, Public Works Customer Service, at 410-313-3440 or email [publicworks@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:publicworks@howardcountymd.gov).

### Support Neighbor Ride at Manor Hill

Support NeighborRide and a delicious beer at [Manor Hill Brewing](#) on Friday, November 17, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. at a special tasting. [NeighborRide](#) helps Howard County seniors stay connected to the people, resources, and activities that foster a healthy and fulfilling lifestyle. All event proceeds benefit NeighborRide's volunteer-driven senior transportation program. For more information, visit the [event page](#). If you can't attend the event, please consider a donation to [NeighborRide](#).

## Upcoming Events

### Pumpkin Chucking Weekend

[Clark's Elloak Farm](#) has a special Autumn weekend planned on November 4 and 5 with the Pumpkin Chucking event. A special catapult will launch your pumpkin across the farm and see how far it goes. It's a Clark family tradition. Also, enjoy a last seasonal visit with your favorite animals, take one more pony ride and enjoy the Fall scenery on a hayride. It promises to be a fun weekend at the farm.

### Lil' Acorns in the Pumpkin Patch

Wear your costumes and enjoy a neighborhood-scale play date at the Robinson Nature Center filled with interactive activities including pumpkin rolls, photo-ops with roving, costumed creatures of the woods, pumpkin painting and more. The event will take place on Sunday, November 5, 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Ages 1 mos-6 years. All participants (adult and children) must register separately to attend by calling 410-313-0400.

### Free Blood Pressure Screening

The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force recommends yearly blood pressure screenings for adults 18 and older. On Monday, November 6, 2017, 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. at Glenwood Branch library there will be a free, walk-in screening and monitoring sponsored by Howard County General Hospital.

### Small Business Seminar - Identity Theft

Join guest speaker Ananta Hejeebu and the founder of Howard Tech Advisors for a closer look at preventing identity theft. You'll learn how to protect your business, your employees, and your clients from cyber criminals. This event will take place at the Phoenix TS Headquarters, located at 10420 Little Patuxent Parkway, Suite 500 on Tuesday, November 7, 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. Register at [www.howardchamber.com](http://www.howardchamber.com) Member cost is \$15, non-member cost is \$30.



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